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Letter to the Editor

## THANK YOU

On behalf of the WHS Music Program, I would like to thank the Windham Endowment for its most recent contribution to our auditorium facility. A set of acoustical panels has been gifted as part of the capital campaign program to raise funds for special interest areas, such as Fine Arts. The Music Department has already been the proud recipient of a baby grand piano, a bassoon, and symphonic chimes.

The acoustical shell is designed to benefit performers on stage with a more enclosed sound, which will then project out to the auditorium, greatly enhancing the overall experience for both performers and the audience. Our student musicians in particular will play with more confidence from the sheer fact of being able to hear one another, as a result of the sound being harmonized appropriately. The increased dynamic level of sound will create a rich, warm listening environment for all. We also anticipate that this venue will become more appealing to other performing groups interested in utilizing our stage for their concerts.

We are very fortunate to have the support of the Windham Endowment in our quest for excellence in the performing arts program here at Windham High School as well as for the greater good of the community.

The Endowment's Capital Campaign for Windham High School is running through the first quarter of this calendar year. If anyone is interested in learning more about the campaign, please go to [www.windhamendowment.org](http://www.windhamendowment.org) or contact campaign chair, Diane Carpenter directly at [dcarpenter@windhamendowment.org](mailto:dcarpenter@windhamendowment.org).

Sincerely,  
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